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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 27TH, 1907.

REFERRING to the recent carnival of the Chinese at Hongkong, a missionary refers to China as "the country of pageant." The procession is China's favourite way of marking any event not fitting in the general run of things, as funerals and weddings. This missionary takes a characteristically foreign view of them, and a view quite transparently tinged by his hatred of their "idolatrous" tendency. They are "tawdry shows, and reveal a complete lack of taste and refinement," and are marred by "din and noise." Buddhist temple processions are "more noisy and more elaborate than the usual wedding and funeral shows." There is usually an idol, with a band of music as near to "his reverence" as possible. "The superstition behind all this is the hope that in some way the gods will show favour to those who honour them." And then—frankly—"It may be said that idolatry is losing its hold upon the Chinese of Hongkong, and we think that the element of idol worship is reduced to a minimum, even if it is not absent altogether. Probably there is some hope in the minds of the less informed that the gods will be inclined to give blessings; but if this is so, little is made thereof publicly." Of the two big dragons at the Hongkong carnival, he says, they were made for the occasion, and "were certainly the most elaborately prepared that I have ever seen in an experience of many processions in China." There is an

almost cheerful reference to the rain that fell, and "probably it will be regarded as betokening bad luck that the gods have sent such weather. And there will be a lurking dread in the minds of the more ignorant lest some further trouble should ensue." Not even the object lesson in the evils of opium, which would "probably do good," could overcome this missionary's repugnance to the whole thing, as witness his remarks that "trade and business have been thrown completely out of gear. The love of the picturesque is no doubt a good thing, but perhaps all the better when kept within proper bounds." How very unreasonable an obsession can make an otherwise reasoning intelligence! Such shows are nearly always "tawdry," from the Lord Mayor of London's downwards. The "taste and refinement" of them depends entirely on the point of view, and anyway, the Chinese cannot claim a monopoly of that sort of show. We have seen in various parts of Europe just the same thing, including the tawdriness and even the alleged "idols." The very May-day show of the children in some English counties is equally idolatrous; the May-pole itself is an idolatrous survival. Din and noise is a universal accompaniment of public rejoicing, and the Chinese might conceivably mislike the English burrah or its "jolly good fello" chorus as we their symbols. Even

"the hope that in some way the gods will show favour" is not peculiarly Chinese; the consecration ceremonial, and surprised processions elsewhere having precisely the same significance. The "less informed" and "ignorant" sections of the Chinese have their foreign dupes, who believe that "happy is the bride the sun shines upon," et cetera. As to the "lurking dread" of further trouble to ensue, the ignorant Chinese should not really be sneered at, when we have educated foreigners proclaiming from public pulpits that such grim events as the holocaust at the Paris bazaar, the San Francisco earthquake, and great epidemics, were ordained scourges and warnings to humanity. We have yet to learn that the Chinese carnival at Hongkong has left a single echo of anything regrettable, and it is as unreasonable to grumble about it as it is to sneer at Chinese superstitions. Until for even their beliefs "more of reverence in us dwell," we are not truly reverent; and it is distinctly tiresome to find our most superstitious of foreigners carpings at Oriental superstitions. Will the put never awake to the silliness of calling the kettle black?

Fourteen gamblers, who were arrested at 83, Ko Shing Street, appeared before Mr. H. H. J. Gomperts at the Police Court yesterday. The two men charged with keeping the game were fined \$10 each, and each of the players was ordered to pay a fine of \$2.

Chen Chu, a coolie employed at the Waterworks, was charged before Mr. F. A. Hassell at the Police Court yesterday with obtaining a bribe of \$5. It was proved that the defendant went to house No. 103, Des Vaux Road, Central, and offered to alter the water pipe so that the occupants would be able to get a better supply of water. Yesterday he told his Worship that the money was given him to buy cement, but as his Worship was of a different opinion, he sentenced the defendant to three months' imprisonment.

The Chientao affair is reported to have resulted in the recall of the Chinese Consul-General in Seoul, Ma Tingling. Ma has been reproached, says a China paper, because he reported without any foundation to the Waiwanpu that Japan had sent a large body of troops to Chientao, while the facts are that Japan had stationed there only fifty guards until the question which has been pending for several months, whether Chientao belongs to China or Korea, is settled. It is reported that Ma will be succeeded in Seoul by Wu Changting, the present Consul-General in Yokohama.

One remarkable fact of the industrial development of the Netherlands Indies is the reluctance of capitalists in Holland to sink money in promising enterprises, not only in Java, but also in Borneo, Sumatra, and other islands, American securities and ventures having the preference. They have, however, just received a sharp lesson in the financial crash which has ruined many of them, who chose to take American risks. Cynics say that it serves them right for trusting in American railway shares instead of investing the money in enterprises which would have developed the resources of their Far East Colonies.

The heedlessness of a ricksha coolie was the cause of an accident to the vehicle of another on Tuesday, and the negligent man appeared before Mr. Gomperts at the Police Court on a charge of obstruction. As Mr. Marican, the cycle agent, was proceeding along Queen's Road near the Hongkong Hotel in a motor car, the defendant dashed across his path to secure a fare, heedless of the loud ringing of the warning bell. This action turned the motor-man off his course, and in endeavouring to avert a collision he collided with another ricksha and damaged it to the extent of \$5.50. His Worship mulcted the negligent coolie in this amount.

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LOCAL SPORT.

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H.K.C.C. THE LEAGUE.

Rain thwarted a postponement of the annual cricket match between the H.K.C.C. and the combined League team, but fortunately the showers which fell were insufficient to stop the match, although the heavy ground was not conducive to good cricket. The game was won by the Club team who had not completed their second inning when stamps were drawn. The League team batted first, and compiled a total of 160 in the first innings. Wishart contributed 37 of these, and R. C. Mitchell, who carried his bat, 29. In the second innings Irving was top notcher, compiling 38 out of the total 49 runs scored. Major Lowrie was the most successful bowler for the Club, taking twelve wickets in the two overs. Peers 39, and Clouston 34, were highest scorers in the Club's first innings which realized 197 runs. In the second Makio, not out, contributed a useful 60 while Irvin had to his credit the respectable score of 43. In this innings the Club had a total of 150 runs for the loss of four wickets. The most effective bowlers for the League eleven were, Postonji, 4, Brown 3 and Wishart 3 wickets.

The scores are:

B. O. Hutchinson, b Poake	42
L. J. Wishart, b Krickenbeck, b Lowrie	37
E. Irvine, st H. Hancock, b Pearce	15
W. Edwards, c R. Hancock, b Lowrie	5
C. S. M. Owen, c Pearce, b Lowrie	9
Lance Corp. Roberts, c Turner, b Lowrie	0
H. Hancock, b Krickenbeck, b Lowrie	4
R. C. Mitchell, b Pearce	29
J. R. Peers, b Pearce	4
K. Postonji, b Lowrie	4
J. R. Irvine, c and b Pearce	7
Extras	3
Total	160

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	B.	W.
Wm. Dixon	5	9	21	—
A. A. Clouston	6	—	25	—
A. W. J. Peers	12	4	21	8
Major Lowrie	14	2	54	6
T. E. Pearce	8	4	18	3
—	3	—	—	—
League—Second Innings	—	—	—	—
L. J. Wishart, b R. Hancock, b Lowrie	0	—	—	—
R. C. Mitchell, b Pearce, b Lowrie	0	—	—	—
E. Irvine, b Lowrie	23	—	—	—
A. O. Brown, b Lowrie	0	—	—	—
C. S. M. Owen, not out	8	—	—	8
Handeman, Barton, b Lowrie	1	—	—	1
R. Postonji, c Makin, b Lowrie	0	—	—	—
J. R. Irvine, b Dixon	1	—	—	1
R. Mitchell and Lance Corp. Roberts absent	5	—	—	—
Extras	4	—	—	—
Total	49	—	—	—

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	B.	W.
T. E. Pearce	9	—	25	—
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R. C. Mitchell, b Pearce, b Lowrie	0	—	—	—
E. Irvine, b Lowrie	23	—	—	—
A. O. Brown, b Lowrie	0	—	—	—
C. S. M. Owen, not out	8	—	—	8
Handeman, Barton, b Lowrie	1	—	—	1
R. Postonji, c Makin, b Lowrie	0	—	—	—
J. R. Irvine, b Dixon	1	—	—	1
R. Mitchell and Lance Corp. Roberts absent	5	—	—	—
Extras	4	—	—	—
Total	49	—	—	—

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	B.	W.
R. C. Mitchell	11	1	28	1
K. Postonji	14	1	49	4
J. R. Irvine	8	—	32	1
A. O. Brown	12	1	36	3
Handeman, Barton	8	—	23	0
R. O. Hutchinson	1	—	23	0
H.K.C.C.—Second Innings	—	—	—	—
Capt. Krickenbeck, b Wishart	28	—	—	—
A. E. Pearce, b Barton	39	—	—	—
W. C. D. Turner, c Postonji, b Barton	34	—	—	—
A. E. Pearce, c Wishart, b Barton	12	—	—	—
H. Hancock, b Substitute, b Irving	12	—	—	—
H. Hancock, c Substitute, b Brown	21	—	—	—
E. Irvine, b Barton	12	—	—	—
R. C. Mitchell, not out	5	—	—	—
Capt. Krickenbeck not out	4	—	—	—
R. Hancock, Major Lowrie, R. Hancock, and T. E. Pearce did not bat	10	—	—	—
Total	159	—	—	—

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	B.	W.
L. J. Wishart	10	4	47	3
U. S. M. Owen	6	—	42	—
R. C. Mitchell	1	—	18	—

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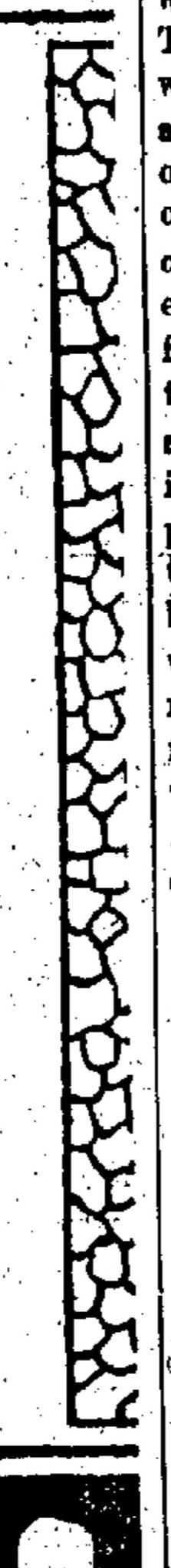
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MOTOR NOTES FROM HOME.

[Written for the Hongkong Daily Press.]

London, November 15th.

The press-view of the Olympia Show on Saturday afternoon was not very satisfactory. Everything was, naturally, in a state of "about to be" without actually being. Moreover, we kept continually getting in the way of the busy dozens of men engaged in the arrangement of the stands, to our discomfort and their annoyance. So those of us who were fortunate enough in not having to write all about what had not yet happened, adjourned to an adjacent hotelier. On Monday, however, there was a transformation; and where had been sackcloth, wrapping paper, a mass of untidy ropes, wires and odds and ends, was a motor-paradise. Illuminations, decorations, the arrangement of the stands, everything is on a scale of magnificence unequalled by previous exhibitions of the kind—as we were promised it should be. The Show was opened by His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, on Monday morning, and was available to the public at noon.

On entering, one is embarrassed by the multiplicity of the exhibits, and realises, perhaps for the first time fully, the extent and importance of the automobile industry. The next impression conveys the comforting reflection that British-made motor vehicles equal, if they do not surpass, their foreign rivals, both as regards design, efficiency and price,—that England can hold her own, and more than her own, in this department; despite the fact that we were a little late in following the lead set by European countries, notably by France. It would be impossible in the short space allotted to these notes to attempt to deal adequately with all that there is on view. The car is, of course, the main object of interest, and the one thing that must impress itself upon all close observers is the general uniformity prevailing in the matter of car-construction. This indicates what I have before referred to—the high perfection to which the modern automobile has been brought, with an inevitable tendency to standardising. This should gladden the heart of the Eastern world-be-motorist who fears to risk purchasing a car which two or three years may render obsolete. Further, it opens present possibilities of cheapness such as were not dreamed of a few years ago, though not to the extent which some writers have thought fit to prophesy. It is, however, true that firms which have given a good deal of attention to higher-priced cars, are now turning to types more likely to attract the smaller purchaser. That there has been an over-production during the past year there can be no doubt, but it will not be the best-reputed firms who will lower their prices below cost in order to get rid of surplus stocks. It will be the weaker firms that will go to the wall, if the crisis, which some say is now upon us, comes to a head; but cars bought cheaply under these circumstances cannot be expected to be turned out, especially for export, with that attention to detail and careful adjustment necessary to ensure a full satisfaction to the purchaser. Hence buyers can have little to gain by waiting in the hope that they may get really good cars for next to nothing after a few months or even during the next twelve months. Thus, when I speak of "possibilities of cheapness," I do not wish to arouse vain hopes of, say, \$1,000 and \$1,200 cars to be had for anything from \$2,500 to \$3,000, as some imaginative people are saying will be the case after the Show is over, if the demand does not respond to its stimulus.

In the matter of standardising, though there are numerous mechanical developments, it is safe to state that the average car only embodies one or two variations on the generally accepted principles. Taking any car, of any make, now on view and comparing it with the previous season's model, it appears that new departures are fewer, that very little new has been added. Minor details, such as ignition, water circulation, cooling, and the like, have undergone very slight modification and these only in the direction of simplification. Lubrication, however, has been greatly improved in many ways. The Humber system, in particular, typifies the general advance towards what is called the "positive"; the oil is taken up through a filter, and forced by a pump through a series of ducts to each and every part, so that all working parts are regularly and automatically bathed in oil. The principle is not new in itself, of course, but the methods of its application are simplified and made more perfect. Crankshafts are being made hollow, and the six-cylinder proposition is being more generally adopted. Daimler, however, adheres still to the four cylinders, as do also a few firms of lesser note. The live-axle drive also is superseding the chain which always had the disadvantage of being noisy. Gears have been improved in various ways, notably by the Daimler Company which introduces a worm-drive or spiral gear-box which constitutes a great advance in the minimising of friction. There are numerous other variations of a more or less technical character which all go to show the tendency towards an ultimate uniformity in general mechanical principles.

It would be obviously impossible, within the remaining limits of this letter, or even the whole of the next, to deal fully with each of all the great variety of the exhibits. But I will endeavour to pick out, here and there, features likely to be of interest to readers in the East. To begin with, here is the Talbot stand, No. 49, which has a 50-60 h.p. car, built specially for Mr. Eu Tong Seng, who is stated to be the first (F) motorist in the Malay Peninsula. However this may be, it is certain that this is not the first car for Malaya. Talbot cars are, in general, live-axle driven, but this one for Mr. Eu Tong Seng is chain driven, a not altogether wise selection for the tropics. The vehicle, however, is well worth inspection. Constructed to carry seven persons, it has an extra mechanics seat on the near side running board, which is made to fold up when not in use. A dynamo is fitted, driven off the counter-shaft, to provide the electric current for lighting the head light, side and tail lamps, as well as an inside reading lamp, electric cigar lighter, etc. Shrewsbury and Chailonee detachable rims are fitted to the road wheels, and besides a folding

luggage carrier at the back, a drawer inside the boot is fitted to stow spare tyres, tubes etc. In place of the usual folding front glass screen, a drop curtain is attached to the front of the hood with large celluloid panels with sides curtains to button all round the car, completely enclosing it. Luxury and comfort in the upholstering, with brass fittings wherever possible give the car a very handsome appearance.

TURMOIL IN PORTUGAL.

DICTATORSHIP LEADS TO A NATIONAL UPRISING.

The movement against absolutism in Portugal has assumed such dimensions that the country, according to Madrid telegrams, is on the brink of revolution. The Portuguese authorities are rigorously censoring all telegrams, but news has reached Madrid that many Monarchists have deserted King Charles, and that the army reserves have been mobilised, in anticipation of a conflict with the revolutionaries.

It is often declared that the Lisbon garrison and the crews of the warships in the harbour have mutinied. The prisons are filled with political suspects, and the Government is utilising two transports in the harbour and a cruiser as prison ships.

Meanwhile the King remains in his palace, guarded by loyal troops, the Crown Prince is exiled at Villa Vicosa because he suggested that his father should either abolish the dictatorship or abdicate, and Prince Miguel of Braganza, the Portuguese Pretender, who is in Austria, is closely following the situation, hoping that the overthrow of the present Government may bring him to the throne.

Madrid, Nov. 22.

The Crown Prince Louis Philippe of Portugal has been banished by the King to the royal residence at Villa Vicosa, a hundred miles from the capital, occupying an isolated position.

Strict censorship makes impossible to obtain news regarding the situation in Portugal direct, but the above statement is obtained from a well-informed Portuguese source.

The King has taken this extreme measure in consequence of a remonstrance made by the Crown Prince to his father against the régime now obtaining in Portugal. Prince Louis Philippe, whose antagonism to the dictatorship is well known, represented to his father the inadvisability of continuing the present mode of government, which, he said, was turning Portugal into a "hotbed of Republicans and Anarchists," and which might in the end result in the overthrow of the monarchy.

King Charles was so incensed at this strong representation that he immediately ordered his son's banishment, which has caused great excitement in Portugal.

The Crown Prince is said to be under the influence of the Conservatives, who, led by Senhor Vilhena, desire the abdication of King Charles in favour of his son.

The "Liberal" insists that the Crown Prince was banished from Lisbon to Villa Vicosa because the Prince urged his father either to abolish the present dictatorship or abdicate in his favour. The Prince is said to have the support of a number of revolutionary leaders as well as the Conservatives.

The Conservatives are thus increasing rapidly in power, and a decisive move is imminent.

The palace at Lisbon is surrounded by loyal troops. King Charles is practically a prisoner, having been advised not to go into the city during the present unrest.

Business in the capital is at a standstill. Hundreds of arrests have been made by the authorities. The civil and military prisons are full, and it is rumoured that political suspects are now being quartered on two old transports in the Tagus.

A number of wealthy business men are sending their families to Madrid, in anticipation of rioting, and refugees are crossing the frontier daily.

Ten daily newspapers have been suppressed in Lisbon and Oporto for attempting to publish accounts of the unrest and the progress of the Republican movement. Six of these journals are Monarchist and the other four Republican.

The "Official Gazette" contains two important decrees dealing with the unrest. The first has prolonged the restrictive measure against the Press, which became operative last June.

The second creates an extraordinary tribunal for dealing summarily with revolutionaries.

This tribunal is composed of a judge of the Lisbon Criminal Court and two associates, and is authorised to try, without a jury, any persons accused of plots against the Government.

Every foreign telegram leaving Portugal is carefully examined, and those dealing with political events unfavourable to the Government are suppressed. Many ordinary commercial messages, not in cipher, have been held up as well, thus causing serious inconvenience.

A Madrid telegram to the "Echo de Paris" states that three hundred arrests have been made at Lisbon in consequence of the discovery of bombs, and the prisoners placed on board a cruiser, which has left the port.

The "Gil Bias" publishes an interview with a Portuguese ex-Minister who arrived in Paris from Lisbon last night. He declared that a civil war was impending.

Vienna, November 24.

The supporters of Prince Miguel of Braganza, the Portuguese pretender, are much encouraged by the reports of the dynastic crisis in Portugal. They consider that the establishment of a republic would ultimately result in Prince Miguel being summoned to the throne. However, the strong position taken by the Crown Prince excites the fear that the latter may bring about his father's deposition and his own elevation to the throne.

Prince Miguel is now at Bad Kreuznach, Bavaria, where he has been invited by his sister, the Duchess Karl Theodore, to meet the German Crown Prince at a shooting party.

Great efforts have been made by Prince Miguel's party during the past month to raise funds for their propaganda, but without much success.

Prince Miguel of Braganza is the eldest son of the late Dom Miguel, who usurped the throne of Portugal in 1822, but was defeated and forced to abdicate in 1834. The Prince resides in Vienna with his wife, Princess of Löwenstein.

Madrid, Nov. 25.

The uncensored messages from Portugal regarding the political crisis have been followed by this usual flood of official denials.

A strong effort is being made by the Portuguese Government to counteract the effect of the reports published abroad during the past five days. These denials, however, must be accepted with reserve, for the continued rigid censorship is in itself proof that the political troubles are acute.

While asserting that Lisbon is quiet, the Republicans pacify the Portuguese Government by maintaining that the foreign correspondents at the capital send messages reflecting in the slightest manner on Senator Franco's administration.

The Madrid newspapers have telegraphed repeatedly to their Lisbon correspondents without receiving any response, and while certain Press messages are coming through, they deal only with non-political matters and statements favourable to Senator Franco.

The Portuguese Government has even refused to permit certain Monarchist and Republican leaders to telegraph their views of the situation to Madrid.

It is evident, therefore, that Senator Franco is confronted with an exceedingly grave problem, and one requiring immediate solution.

While the Republicans and their supporters may not be prepared to drive King Charles from his throne immediately, they are obviously determined to abolish the dictatorship at all hazards.

According to a letter received to-day, via Badajoz, from a reliable correspondent at Lisbon, the preparations for a display of armed force are wholly on the side of the Government. The Opposition have not made the slightest effort to rally the disaffected troops although several leaders, holding extreme views, favour such a measure.

Some divergence of opinion apparently exists among the Republicans, and a secret conference is to be held at Lisbon to-morrow, at which a definite plan of action will be arranged.

The only Lisbon newspaper received in Madrid to-day was thus smuggled across the frontier. None of them contained references to the unrest, save that made in a speech made by the Premier to a delegation which he received on Saturday.

A number of additional arrests were made in Lisbon yesterday, including two prominent Republican leaders.

A Berlin Lisbon telegram, which has been sanctioned by the Portuguese Government, states that the reports published abroad, and especially in Spain, have found their way back to Portugal, "where they have been received with general surprise."

The examining magistrate who was appointed chief of the special court authorised to deal summarily with political offenders has resigned.

The Marquis de Soveral, the Portuguese Minister, stated last night that he had it on the highest authority that the statements made by the Madrid "Liberal" concerning the exile of the Crown Prince of Portugal are entirely devoid of foundation. He added: "Everybody in Lisbon can testify that his Royal Highness is not leaving the capital."

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:

On the 26th at 12.05 a.m.—The barometer has risen over N.E. Japan, and fallen in W. Japan.

The shallow depression appears to be situated over Korea and the W. part of the Sea of Japan and to be moving Eastwards. Pressure is highest over the Upper Yangtze.

Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.08 inches.

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CEILAND, Norwegian str., 1,102, A. Augensen, 22nd Dec.—Bangkok Dec. 11th, via Swatow 21st, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

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EMPEROR OF INDIA, British str., 3,032, E. Bestham, 18th Dec., Vancouver 26th Nov., and Shanghai 13th Dec., Mats & General—C. P. R. Co.

FAUSNING, British str., 1,410, H. S. Malkin, 13th Dec.—Shanghai Dec. 8th, via Swatow 12th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FOOSHENG, British str., 1,423, Arthur, 21st December—Wuhu & Chinkiang 17th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FRIETHOR, Norwegian str., 891, O. Andersen, 14th December—Haiphong 12th Dec., Rice—Augard, Thoresen & Co.

GANGER, British str., 2,721, S. A. Page, 22nd December—Barry Dock 31st Oct., Coal—Admiralty.

GLENSEY, British str., 2,274, Refferty, 30th Nov.—Salina Cruz 16th Sept., General—China Commercial Co.

HINSONG, British str., 1,536, A. G. Smith, 7th December—Chefoo 1st December, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HOLSTEIN, German str., 983, Niejahr, 11th December—Swatow 10th Dec., General—Jensen & Co.

HONGKONG, French str., 742, A. Corneliusen, 23rd December—Haiphong Dec. 19th, via Hohow 22nd Dec., Rice & Pig—A. R. Marti.

HUPPEL, British str., 1,204, Spiek, 24th Dec., Haiphong and Hohow 22nd Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.

JACINTH, British str., 1,212, E. F. St. John, 25th Dec., Saigon 26th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

JACINTH, German str., 1,212, C. Rosofsky, 12th December—Bangkok and Tounane 7th Dec., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

KUICHEUNG, British str., 1,215, Haecker, 22nd December—Wuhu & Chinkiang 18th Dec., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

LAUDON, British str., 2,416, A. L. Paterson, 4th Dec.—Muji 24th November, Ballast—Doddwell & Co.

LIGHTNING, British str., 2,122, E. Frey, 21st December—Calcutta and Singapore 14th Dec., General—David Sasson & Co.

MAGDALEN, German str., 1,118, J. Minson, 14th December—Sydney 19th Nov. and Manila 11th Dec., General—Melders & Co.

MARIE, German str., 1,109, P. E. Christensen, 24th Dec.—Satina, Cruz and Mexico 16th Nov., Ballast—China Commercial S. S. Co.

MAUBANG, British str., 1,644, R. Houghton, 12th Dec.—Sandakan 6th Dec., Timber and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MERFOO, Chinese str., 1,339, John McArthur, 20th Decemb'r—Shanghai 18th December, General—Chinese.

NICOMEDIA, German str., 4,364, P. Wagemann, 24th December—Portland Or., 9th Nov., and Moji 19th Dec., General—Portland & Asiatic Steamship Co.

PHRANANG, German str., 1,021, Fr. Buijck, 19th December—Bangkok 5th Dec., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

PROMET, Norwegian str., 838, The Seeborg, 14th December—Haiphong 11th Dec., Rice—Wallen & Co.

PROTEUS, Norw. str., 1,025, F. C. Koldner, 20th December—Bangkok via Swatow 18th Dec., General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

RAGNAZ, Norwegian str., 1,220, H. G. Nielsen, 18th Dec., December—Wakayama and Japan 13th Dec., Coal—Wallen & Co.

SHAOHsing, British str., 1,307, Mcintosh, 21st December—Shanghai 18th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.

SIGNAL, German str., 907, Schlaikier, 23rd Dec.—Hohow 22nd Dec., General—Jensen & Co.

STATIN, British str., 1,336, J. E. Farrell, 20th December—Singapore 11th Dec., Kerosene Oil—McBain & Co.

SUNGKIAN, British str., 987, G. H. Pennefather, 24th December—Cebu and Amoy 22nd Dec., Hemp—Butterfield & Swire.

TAKEI W, British str., 1,241, J. S. Laing, 17th Dec.,—Saigon 9th Dec., Meal—Bradley & Co.

TANG MABU, Jap. str., 1,912, U. Kaneyasu,

POST OFFICE NOTICE

NEW YEARS HOLIDAYS

Wednesday and Thursday, the 1st and 2nd January, 1908 are to be observed as Public Holidays. The Post Office will be open on each day from 8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. only. There will be no delivery of letters and one collection as on Sundays. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

The *Arcadia*, with the English mail of the 29th Nov., left Singapore on Sunday, the 22nd instant at 8 a.m., and may be expected here to-day, at noon. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 29th Oct. and the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 20th November and for despatch overland on the 27th November.

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